

SKDS School Board Meeting

October 17, 2017

Attendees: Barb Haase, Jill Kaufmann, Jennifer Nampel, Angela Zwald, Greg Steil, Angela Davis, Tracy Gundert, Lilia Avalos, Tricia Cargen

Meeting called to order at 7:01pm.

Introduction of Guests/Guest Topics:

Review and Approval of September Minutes: Motion to approve by Greg Steil and seconded by Angela Zwald.

Correspondence / Audience Comments / Eyes and Ears: SKDS alum Lauren Curwick illustrated the children's book, My Dog Named Hope.

Administrator's Update:

Youth Leadership Forum: Students from Catholic schools in Dodge and Washington counties are attending this forum on Monday, October 23, 2017. 57 students from Catholic schools in Dodge and Washington counties participate in this forum every other year. At this event, students develop leadership skills for their Catholic faith. SKDS has 2 students from grades 6th, 7th, and 8th.

Rethinking Grading: SKDS is looking at the traditional grading system vs. standards-based grading. Standards-based grading is based on learning goals and performance standards. Emphasis is on learning instead of memorizing. Grades and reporting are based on what students have learned and what they can do.

Annual Fundraising Chart: PR Committee, (Barb Haase, Kathy Armstrong and Chris Frinak), attended a presentation on fundraising. Strongly urged that we chart every fundraiser we do – Home & School, Athletics, Footballmania, etc. Parish events are also to be included on the fundraising chart. Main point is to make sure we are using our time well based on the money earned. Are we “nickel and diming” people to death? Are we targeting the same people? We need a good picture of everything we do. We keep adding things but we never take anything away. Some of the fundraisers don't make a lot of money, but it's a way for people to come together; sometimes the purpose is for a reason other than raising funds. For a school our size we do a tremendous amount of activities for our kids because of the huge amount of dedication from families, teachers and staff through fundraising and other events.

Activities/Events Coming Up:

- Living Rosary
- Spaghetti Supper
- Youth Form on Monday

- Soles for Souls Walk on Saturday
- Family Carnival
- Evening of Glitz

Challenges Facing Board:

- Anything dealing with increasing enrollment
- Recruiting new members
- Fundraising
- Communication between parish and school
- Opposition from/to School Choice

Pastor's Report: None

Scrip Committee: None

Finance: None

Advancement: See above

Glitz: November 4th – 50 reservations have been received as of 10/17/17.

Parish Council Report: Old Business/New Business: Renovation addition to the church. Meeting with the architect to continue moving on – nailing down final details. Fundraising meeting – plan is to kick off the major part of fundraising in January. More information coming in the next month or two. Per the Archdiocese, we must have 50% of the required funds before construction can begin.

A motion to adjourn was made by Jill Kaufmann at 8:06pm and seconded by Greg Steil.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 21, 2017 at 7:00pm.